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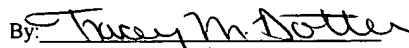
SERIAL NO. 10/665,915

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	BERMAN	Examiner:	Dolinar, A.
Serial No.:	10/665,915	Group Art Unit:	3747
Filing Date:	9/19/2003	Docket No.:	KING.005CIP
Title:	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING REPEATED ELIMINATION BONUS IN GAMING ACTIVITIES		

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence and the papers, as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 14, 2005.

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this response and amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 in reply to the non-final Office Action mailed August 12, 2004, which set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. A Petition to Extend the period for responding to the Office Action by 3 months, from November 12, 2004 to February 12, 2005 is submitted herewith.

Claims 2-5, 7-17, 19-28, 30-33, and 35-54 are pending in the application. Claims 2, 5, 7-8, 10-12, 16-17, 19, 21, 24-26, 30, 33, 35-36, 38-40, 44-47, and 52-54 have been amended. Claims 1, 6, 18, 29, and 34 have been canceled. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 13 of this paper.

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